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1. (Secret - JGO) Received a call from Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that Chairman Mahon would like to have the Director brief the full Defense Subcommittee. This would be the annual worldwide intelligence roundup. Mr. Preston said the Chairman did not set a date but that the briefing would be some time within the next two or three weeks. If there is a particular date excluding Fridays that would best suit the Director, Mr. Preston would try to schedule that date. I noted that the Director did not prefer to set a Monday briefing, if possible. Review of the tentative Committee schedule for the next three weeks indicates that 25 January, 3, 9, and 10 February might best fit that schedule. Mr. Preston told me that the Chairman also wants to meet with the Director and the Special Subcommittee as soon as he can. It will be necessary, however, to appoint a member to replace Representative Andrews (D., Ala.) before the meeting can be scheduled. Mr. Preston feels that this meeting will look primarily to updating of intelligence information for the Chairman plus "the Radios business." Mr. Preston will advise us as soon as he has any further guidance on the meeting of the Special Subcommittee. The Director has been advised.

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3. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, and Assistant Chief Counsel Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee, whom I briefed, in response to the Chairman's request, on the recent coup in Ghana, explaining why the Agency could not have been expected to learn of it sufficiently in advance to warn the White House prior to Mrs. Nixon's visit. This led to a lengthy discussion of the problems of predicting coups in various areas particularly in a number of unstable countries in Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Mr. Nedzi inquired about the "Rehnquist report" and I explained that a draft was now being circulated by the White House for comment by Executive agencies, and we hoped it would be out by the end of the month.

Mr. Nedzi said he would like to have an early session of his Subcommittee for a general intelligence briefing and a discussion of the reorganization of the intelligence community. On the latter point, Slatinshek noted that the White House documents on the subject assigning to the DDCI major responsibility for the Agency's plans, programs and day-to-day operations were counter to the statements made by the Director and me that the Director would remain in full control of the Agency despite his new responsibilities in community matters. I responded that it was too soon to say exactly what functions the Director might delegate to his Deputy, but I thought there was no doubt he would remain in charge of CIA in all major respects.

Mr. Nedzi said he would also like to have his Subcommittee hear the Director on the matter of the security and classification of Government documents, preferably in open session. I said such a request would create very serious problems for us. Messrs. Nedzi and Slatinshek argued that many aspects of this problem, and also the reorganization of the community, might be discussed in open session and such discussion could do much to ease public and political concern about these two important matters. I urged that before any formal proposals were made along these lines the Chairman discuss the matter personally with the Director, and suggested an early meeting for this purpose to which the Chairman agreed.

4. (Confidential - JMM) In the absence of Representative H.R. Gross, I met with Julian Morrison of his staff in response to Mr. Gross' letter to the Director of 22 December inquiring about press stories that Soviet intelligence agents recently PNG'd from Belgium and the U.K. had been assigned to UNESCO.



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5. (Unclassified - JMM) Representative William Whitehurst called to ask if there was any chance the Director would be available to be the featured speaker at the annual Azalea Festival in Norfolk. I said I thought this was most unlikely and suggested he might try General Cushman, noting that Mrs. Cushman is from that area. Mr. Whitehurst said this sounded like a good idea.

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- 8. (Unclassified GLC) In response to his request, left with Mr. Lee Paden, in the office of Senator Henry Bellmon (R., Okla.), a copy of the China Atlas.
- 9. (Confidential GLC) Met with J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, and returned to him the galley proofs of the bibliography of Soviet publications with corrections noted by of CI Staff. The Subcommittee has already gotten page proofs from GPO on the study (having lost track of the fact the document had been referred to us for correction), but Sourwine said he would see that our corrections were made unless there was some difficulty with the pagination of the document. I am checking with further on this.

In the course of our conversation Sourwine mentioned that the Subcommittee had received very favorable reaction to their first publication of the compendium of material on the Soviet Union. He said these commendations had come from sources whom he respected in the fields covered in the document. He said he was mentioning this because he very much appreciated the suggestions and assistance which we had given in the preparation of that document. I told him we were happy to be of assistance and would continue to cooperate with the staff in bringing to their attention items which we felt were worthy of publication.

10. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Mrs. Hope, in the office of Representative William Scott (R., Va.), called concerning an inquiry from a constituent who had read a news story alleging that the Agency employs political assassination in Vietnam. The constituent expressed serious concern and urged the U.S. to refute the story. Mrs. Hope inquired as to whether the Agency had a prepared statement or fact sheet to respond to the allegation. I informed her of the Agency's policy not to confirm or deny allegations and that no fact sheet or statement had been prepared. I offered her further assistance in preparing her response. However, she stated she understood our position and would handle the matter herself accordingly.



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- 11. (Internal Use Only LLM) In the company of Mr. Maury, met with Senator Jacob Javits (R., N. Y.), and his assistant, Eugene Mittelman (General Counsel of the Majority Staff), concerning S. 2515, Equal Employment Opportunities Enforcement Act. See Memorandum for the Record for details.
- 12. (Internal Use Only LLM) Met with Robert Vagley, Director of the General Subcommittee on Labor, House Education and Labor Committee, and told him that the changes that would be in S. 2515, Equal Employment Opportunities Enforcement Act, that Senator Javits would support may fall short of our needs. Vagley felt that if this proves to be the case the House conferees would support whatever we needed and mentioned Representative John Erlenborn (R., Ill.) as being a key Member in this connection. Vagley offered to set up a meeting with Erlenborn's aides so that we could lay out our position and agreed that the matter must be handled with care in view of the developments that have already taken place on the Senate side.

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